

TO HAVE A STUDENT SUNDAY

Methodist Church Has Fixed October 10 for Date.

October 10 will be student Sunday at the Broadway Methodist Church. E. H. Newcomb, student secretary, says that the goal in view is to reach the maximum student attendance and membership in the Epworth League and the Sunday school classes. He also expects that the affiliated membership in the church among the students will be doubled. It was 157 last year, and most of that number are there this year.

Foreign students are invited to attend church in a body on student Sunday. A section will be reserved for them and they will be taken to dinner in the homes of members of the church.

The organization of Methodist students has been perfected. It is in charge of the Methodist Student Council. The council consists of the presidents of the

University men's and University women's Bible classes, the captains of the men's and women's teams in the organization, the president of the Epworth League, the secretary of the Methodist Student Commission, the student secretary, and this year W. E. Crowe, a Methodist student who is president of the Young People's Union. It is expected that the Student Council will be able to make permanent the organization that Mr. Newcomb has perfected.

To Form Mission Study Class.

Presbyterian women are planning to form a mission study class October 1, which will meet on Monday afternoons. It is probable that the text book will be "The Church and the Community." The class is for the church and University girls.

The whole family will like Tropic Nut Margarine. Use it for table and cooking. Just 30 cents a pound at Richard's, adv.

SPORT

TO ENTER BALLOON RACE IN THE NAME OF M. U.

For the first time in the history of ballooning, a state university will be entered in a national balloon race Saturday. Bernard Von Hoffman and his helper, Willard Heller, both of the University of Missouri, will take the air at Birmingham as representatives of the University of Missouri. So unusual was the arrangement for such official representation, that Von Hoffman took several days in visiting various University officials to gain the proper authority for entering his balloon as a representative of the University.

"With good luck I hope to win the national race," Von Hoffman said, "and any honor that might come with such a trip I want to share with the University of Missouri. It is an unusual event to have a University as one of the contenders, but I do not see why colleges and universities should not take an interest in this sport. There are many thrills in the game and with the proper stimulation a national interest could be aroused."

Fifteen pilots of national repute are entered in this year's race. Those winning the first three places will be entered in the international balloon race at Birmingham October 23.

Von Hoffman and Heller left today for Birmingham to make preparations for the flight. Since landings of the balloons are frequently made in inaccessible places, the distance and records of the contenders are not officially announced for many days after the beginning of the race.

FIRST BASEBALL PRACTICE FOR UNIVERSITY WOMEN

Seniors and juniors of the University women field their first baseball practice yesterday, Miss Helen Gath coaching. Girls signed up for class lines include fifteen senior, twenty-three juniors, twenty-three sophomores and forty freshmen. Seniors and juniors will hold their second practice at 4 o'clock Friday afternoon instead of at 9 Saturday morning as was first announced. Freshmen girls met this afternoon and sophomores start practice at 4 p. m. tomorrow.

The practice schedule for baseball is: Freshmen at 4 p. m. Tuesday and Thursday; sophomores at 4 p. m. Wednesday and at 11 a. m. Saturday; juniors at 4 p. m. Monday and Friday; and seniors at 4 p. m. Monday and Friday.

M. MEN WILL HOLD INITIATION TONIGHT

There will be a meeting of the M. Men's Association at 7:30 o'clock tonight at Rothwell Gymnasium. The initiation of new members will be discussed, and plans made for the coming year. It is important that every M. man be there.

JAPAN MAKES POOR SHOWING AT ANTWERP

The failure of Japan's athletes to make a better showing at the Olympic games at Antwerp is galling to one of the editors of the Osaka Mainichi, who writes in the column called "Ink Drops," a column of pointed paragraphs on current events.

The writer says that the Americans have scored more than 100 points, and even Finland, still a very new nation, has scored 49 points, while Japan has so far failed to score a single point. This result must not be disregarded as merely the result of a set of games. In a sense, says the Mainichi writer, the outcome of the Olympic shows Japan's real place in the world.

America, aspiring to rank first in every phase of world affairs, has concen-

trated upon the encouragement of the strong and superior, rather than upon the protection of the weak and inferior.

The writer then points to "Bebe" Ruth, the New York Yankees' great batsman, who, the Mainichi says, received a salary of \$250,000 a year because he is an American. Kamagui has become internationally famous since he went to the United States. If Japan really wishes to become one of the foremost athletic nations, she must train great athletes no matter whether she must go to the Chinese or the Koreans for the material.

SUMMA MAKES GOOD WITH PITTSBURGH TEAM

Homer Summa, former Tiger baseball player who was sold recently to the Pittsburgh Nationals by the Norfolk club of the West Virginia League, broke into the records of the big show with a crash Friday. Facing Toney, one of the best pitchers in the league, the former Missouri map combed the delivery of the big Italian for two singles and a two-base hit out of four trips to the plate. He accepted six put-outs in center field and made one error.

Summa played center field for the 1917 Tiger baseball team for about half of the season but was unable to remain in school to finish the year.

In the spring of 1918 Summa was given a trial by the St. Louis Cardinals, but because of lack of experience he was farmed out to the Birmingham club of the Southern League. He seemed to be unable to get to hitting in the Dixie circuit and this year was released to the Norfolk club in the West Virginia League where he found his batting eye and pounded the ball with such regularity that the Pittsburgh club purchased him.

UNIVERSITY WOMEN WILL HOLD TENNIS TOURNAMENT

A meeting was held yesterday for University women who are interested in the University girls' tennis tournament. Miss Jane Hackney, manager of the tournament, presided. The general rules were read, and candidates were urged to play off the preliminaries at the earliest possible dates. Girls failing to play off sets at the time scheduled will forfeit their right to play unless a satisfactory excuse is given to the tournament manager or class managers.

Twenty freshmen, twelve sophomores, ten juniors and nine seniors have signed up for tennis. Dates for the completion of the first and second rounds class semi-finals and finals will be posted soon. Only the semi-finals and finals of the interclass tournament will be umpired.

KAPPA SIGNS DEFEAT SIGMA NUS YESTERDAY

In a five inning game yesterday afternoon, the Kappa Sigma fraternity defeated the Sigma Nu, 6 to 4. The Sigma Nu's staged a batting rally in the first half of the fifth. The bases were full, and no outs, but a double play to second followed by a strike out, ended the game and left the Kappa Sig's with the long end of the score.

Batteries: For Kappa Sigma, Lott and Mann; for Sigma Nu, Norton, Menche and Pumphrey.

Umpires: Nathan and Jacquin.

SOCIETY

Mr. and Mrs. C. B. Rollins, 510, Rollins street, entertained last night with a buffet supper for Mrs. Clarkson Rollins, of Grand Haven, Mich., and Mrs. John D. Von Holendorf, of San Antonio, Tex. Besides the guests of honor, those present were: Mr. and Mrs. Sidney Stephens, Mr. and Mrs. Irvin Hockaday, Mr. and Mrs. John Sykes, Miss Juliet Bowling, Miss Anna K. Sykes, Mrs. Bella Kirkbride, Miss Margaret Chamberlain, George Savage and Frank and Sidney Rollins.

Mrs. Alex. Martin entertained at a foursome of bridge this afternoon at her home, 902 University avenue. The house was decorated with dahlias, a cluster being placed at each guest's place. Those present besides the hostess were: Mrs. Turner Gordon, Mrs. Kate Conley and Mrs. Odon Guitier.

Members of the Phi Mu sorority will entertain Friday afternoon with a tea in honor of Mrs. Frank B. Henderson, of Kansas City. Cut flowers will be used in decorating the house. Those in the receiving line will be: Miss Eva Johnston, Mrs. Elizabeth Bush, Mrs. Frederick Dunlap, Mrs. H. M. Belden, Mrs. Charles A. Ellwood, Mrs. George H. Sabine, Mrs. J. L. Meriam and Mrs. L. W. Dumas, Jr.

Mrs. R. H. Ball, of 620 West Broadway, will entertain at 2:30 o'clock tomorrow afternoon with a bridge party for her daughter, Mrs. E. J. Winkelmeyer, of St. Louis. There will be thirty guests.

The Phi Kappa Psi fraternity will entertain October 22 with an annual Halloween dance at the chapter house.

Dinner guests at the Phi Gamma Delta house Sunday were Misses Helen Ludlow, Elizabeth Spencer, Helen Watson, Elizabeth Lewis, Mildred Allen, Betty Campbell, Margaret Wassmer, Susanna Dickson, Katherine Drinn, Katherine Davis, Ruth Campbell, Marian Young, Mrs. C. H. Searey, Harry Day, R. D. Teichman and Kitty Lightner.

The members of the Round Table Club of Columbia, were guests at dinner last night of Governor and Mrs. Frederick D. Gardner at the governor's mansion in Jefferson City.

The Ladies' Auxiliary of the Baptist Church, composed of thirty members, met at 2:30 Monday afternoon with Mrs. W. R. Shaefer of the Fulton gravel road. A short program was given based on missionary work.

BOONE COUNTY HAS ITS SHARE IN CRIME WAVE

In Most of Unsolved Deaths Victims Were Old and Lived in Out-of-Way Places.

THE WAR IS NOT BLAMED

Robbery Is Probably the Motive for Most of the Murders—Date Back to '98.

Boone County has had a fair share of the crime wave which has swept over the country this summer. It reacted here not in petty thieving but in murder. "I do not attribute it to the war," said Sheriff T. Fred Whitesides. "It comes in waves at no special time or date and passes over."

There has been a series of unsolved murder mysteries in the county dating back until the Civil War. There the list becomes lost in the wholesale slaughter now called bushwhacking, and beyond that a haze of time blots out the record. In most of the unsolved cases the victims were old persons who lived in out-of-the-way places.

The bodies of Mr. and Mrs. Orville Allison were found at their home about halfway between Ashland and Wilton July 29, 1920.

Investigation led to the conclusion that they had been dead about eight days and had been poisoned by drinking jimson seed brew. Because nothing further could be found the investigation was dropped. Medical men later expressed a doubt that enough poison could have been gotten out of the amount of jimson seed found in the coffee pot to kill the two people.

LIVED IN LONELY PLACE

They lived about two miles off the road in a hollow where Allison raised tobacco on his forty-acre farm. It was hard to reach except on foot or by horseback. When found the bodies lay in the yard about 100 yards apart, one on each side of the house. Allison was lying close to a pallet under a tree; Mrs. Allison was found on the other side of the house.

Did the jimson seed kill them, and if so did one of the two put it in the coffee pot? Did they have any money around the house or did any one immediately profit by their death? This constitutes the puzzle.

By far the most sensational local murder mystery in recent years was the case of Samuel Halstead, who was found at his home near Ingewood with a bullet hole through his head June 24, 1920. The coroner's verdict said "The deceased met death from a gunshot wound at the hands of unknown persons." Beyond that the police have never been able to go.

Halstead was a deaf mute and was living alone at the time of the murder. The body was discovered by Jake Staats, a stepson-in-law, who lived near by. It lay on the floor in the middle room of the house where it had lain for several days.

THOUGHT TO HAVE MONEY

It was commonly believed in the neighborhood that Halstead had considerable money on his person but none was found when the body was examined. Besides this theory is another that someone might have profited indirectly by his death. "Work on the murder has not ceased," said Sheriff Whitesides. "A thing of that kind often drags on for years before it is straightened out."

Another murder similar to the one just mentioned was that of Thomas Coonce, who formerly lived near Harburg. He was killed on his farm six miles from Monticello, Ark., July 10. Neighbors found him lying in his front yard facing the house. The theory is that someone called him out during the night and shot him as he started back toward the house. Coonce had considerable money in his pockets and also had some more in the house. It was undisturbed.

Did the murderer become afraid and run after he had killed Coonce? Was it someone who had a grudge or were there motives of a different nature? This is part of the problem facing the officials who are attempting to clear it up. From these recent tragedies an interval goes back until 1898. Tom Hagan was an old bachelor who lived on a little island in the Missouri River about sixteen miles south of Columbia. He did truck gardening by raising water-melons, potatoes, etc. One day an acquaintance advised him to gather together the money he had hid around his home and take it to a bank. Acting on the advice he did collect his money.

KILLED BY SHOTGUN

They found him sitting at a table where he is supposed to have been eating supper. The shotgun charge fired through an open window had done its work well, for he apparently had never moved. The money was gone. A relative had found him slating there where he had been for four days.

About the same time his brother's money vault had been blown open at his nearby store. No one has ever proved who committed the deed.

In about 1897 a woman by the name of Lydia Brushwood was found hanging to a tree a short distance from her home. Marks on the body and the nature of the hanging led to the belief that she had been killed and then hung to the tree. Public sentiment ran high against her husband and he left the country to save himself from mob violence, but no positive evidence was ever

found concerning the murderer or the motive of the murder.

A few years before this a man jumped off a passenger train leaving Columbia and was killed. He had \$3,000 in \$5 bills which he carried in a suit case. He carried no clues for identification and it was some time before his wife came and identified the body. He lived in Oklahoma and had just sold his farm. The supposition is that he was running away and had possibly become discouraged and killed himself.

MISSOURI PRESBYTERY TO MEET

Organization Will Transact Church Business September 21.

The Presbytery of Missouri, a district of the Presbyterian Church composed of Boone, Audrain, Pike, Chariton, Randolph, Howard, Monroe, Ralls, Lincoln, St. Charles and Warren counties, was scheduled to meet with the old Auxvasse Church, the oldest Presbyterian church in the state, on Tuesday, September 21. The Presbytery is an organization which meets in April and September each year to transact the business of the church.

SPRING WHEAT MAY BE HELD

Representatives of Farmers From Four States Agree to \$2.75 Minimum.

Representatives of farmers of four states decided at a meeting in Kansas City last week that spring wheat should be held until it brings \$2.75 a bushel. William Hirth, who is a member of a committee of seventeen appointed to work out a plan for wheat marketing, and J. A. Hudson represented Boone county.

According to the representatives there, wheat is being bought at country shipping points at \$2 and \$2.10 a bushel. The price of No. 2 wheat in Columbia, however, is \$2.25. If the farmers do hold the price to \$2.75, it will mean \$3 wheat this fall at terminal markets.

"Our farmers can sell wheat at \$2.25 a bushel and get pay for all it cost them," said O. R. Johnson, in charge of farm management in the College of Agriculture. "The figure of \$2.75 is too high. It may not be too high for Kansas because of the large abandoned acreage in wheat there, but it is too high for Missouri. Attempts to hold up crops have never worked and this one won't work either."

"Some men in the state could not sell at that price. Perhaps 30 per cent would need to sell at a higher margin, but the public cannot protect those. They must either take less for their time or go out of business. The average yield is twelve and three-fourths bushel per acre so that a large number who raise as high as twenty-five bushels would make a large profit."

Experts from Missouri, Kansas and Nebraska placed the country elevator price of wheat for these states at \$2.52 in a conference at Jefferson City September 10, at which Jewell Mayes represented Missouri.

"It probably means that somewhere between these two figures, reported by men at Kansas City and at Jefferson City, is a price on wheat that will pay a profit to the great bulk of wheat producers," said A. J. Meyer of the Farm Bureau Federation.

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